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MATHERAN SUB-OFFICE

The Laxmi Narain Nanjee Banking Co. Ltd. will re-open their BRANCH OFFICE at MATHERAN on and from THURSDAY, 15TH APRIL, 1943, to transact business upto the end of the Summer Season, i.e. SATURDAY, 5TH JUNE, 1943.

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Key To Jap Defeat Lies In Burma

"New York Herald Tribune" Urges Seaborne Attack Next Winter

NEW YORK, April 12.

Reporting Chinese "impatience with the United Nations for their failure to step up the pace of the war against Japan", "The New York Herald Tribune" said to-day:

"Japan must be defeated on the Asiatic mainland. The key to defeat on the mainland is Burma. The reconquest of Burma calls for a major seaborne effort in winter weather—the next winter at the earliest—for extra shipping and escort fleet, to mention nothing else which just simply cannot be had at this time".

23 JAP PLANES BROUGHT DOWN

LONDON, April 12.

Allied Headquarters South-west Pacific 'communique' states that 45 Jap dive-bombers and fighters attacking Allied shipping at Oro, New Guinea, were defeated by Allied fighters in air combat. Twenty-three Japanese planes were shot out of action. Allied losses were negligible.

YOUNGER MEN FOR ARMY

MELBOURNE:—The Australian Army Minister Mr. F. M. Forde announced to-day that the recruiting age for the Australian Imperial Force will be reduced from 19 to 18 but parents' consent will still be necessary before enlistment.—Reuter.

Heavy Hit Scored On Jap Vessel

NEW DELHI, April 12.

The recent Mayu river engagement, in which small craft manned by Burma R.N.V.R. personnel sank three Japanese launches, has been followed by another brush up with the enemy in the same area, says a Press Note.

One night recently, while off Thaungdara, south of Htizwe, the same small craft encountered two well-armed enemy launches. A sharp battle followed, and fire was also opened by the Japanese from both banks of the river. At least one heavy hit was scored on one enemy vessel, which may have sunk. Our craft sustained neither casualties nor damage, the Japanese shooting, both from the launches and the shore, being very inaccurate.

R.A.F. OVER BURMA

On April 11 R.A.F. 'Blenheims' dropped bombs on the important Myitkyina Railway line at a point about 45 miles south-east of Kata, says an India Command Joint War Communique. Another bomber formation, escorted by 'Hurricanes' attacked an enemy occupied village on the Mayu peninsula. Fighters on an offensive patrol machine-gunned troops and other targets in the Indian area. All our aircraft returned safely.

Jap Raids On Arakan Coast

There was some Japanese air activity along the north Arakan coast yesterday. Bombs were dropped at two places but no damage or casualties have been reported.—A.P.

CHITTAGONG CENTRE ABANDONED

CALCUTTA:—The Controller of Examinations of the Calcutta University informs that the Chittagong centre has been abandoned. Candidates enrolled for the Chittagong centre will be examined at Noakhali, Brahmanbaria or other centres. By a previous notification the Feni centre was abolished. All candidates enrolled for that centre were transferred to Noakhali.—United Press.

BASIC FOOD PLAN FOR YEARS

Discussion In National Defence Council

NEW DELHI, April 12.

The ninth session of the National Defence Council opened this morning at the Viceroy's House, New Delhi, says a Press Communique.

H. E. the Viceroy presided. At the morning meeting, the Council heard and discussed a review presented by the Hon. the Home Member of Developments in the internal situation since the last session.

A memorandum explaining in detail the present food position in the country was presented to the Council by Maj.-Gen. Wood and this was further explained in discussion during the afternoon. The steps already taken to meet the rice situation in Bengal were discussed as well as the action taken by the Central Government in agreement with representatives of Provinces and States towards the settlement of a basic food plan for the twelve months ensuing from April 1 of this year.

The Council meets again to-morrow at 10 a.m.

Princes To Meet

NEW DELHI, April 12.

The Standing Committee of the Chamber of Princes will meet in Delhi on April 15th and 16th says a communique. The agenda includes the Chancellor's statement regarding his work in England, war effort of the states, decision regarding holding the next session of the Chamber of Princes, joint services of states for certain administrative purposes, industrial development of states and food control policy so far as it affects the states. The recommendations of various items, including postwar reconstruction of the Committee of Ministers which met recently in Bombay will also be considered by the Standing Committee of Princes.—A. P.

PRINCE OF BERAR CONCLUDES FRONTIER TOUR.

PESHAWAR, April 11: The Prince of Berar left for Delhi to-night on the conclusion of his visit to the frontier. He visited the Islamia College this afternoon and was presented with an address by the Council of Management. —A. P.

MUNDA AND KISKA BOMBED

WASHINGTON:—Navy Department Communique says:—In the Solomons, Munda was bombed twice and Kahili once on Saturday, Kiska in the Aleutians was bombed twice on Saturday.

Reds Cling On To Balakleya

Nazi Search For Springboard For New Offensive

MOSCOW, April 12.

From Reuter's special correspondent:—After a four day battle, Gen. Golikov's forces are to-day still firmly astride their Upper Donetz bridgehead at Balakleya, a key town 50 miles south-east of Kharkov. Despite their heavy losses the Germans are still launching furious night and day assaults in a bid to burst through and secure a spring board for a new spring offensive. They want to eliminate this bridgehead because it endangers their position at Kharkov.

No major developments have been reported from other fronts.

The Supplement to Monday's communique states that south of Balakleya Axis troops launched several attacks all of which were repulsed.

On Central Front

On the Central Front the Red Army were engaged in fighting reconnaissance. In the area of Byelgorod one Soviet unit broke into the enemy trenches and captured them.

In Kuban, Soviet gunners smashed 12 pillboxes and blockhouses and destroyed 22 enemy firing points.

Nazis Offensive On Leningrad Front?

Massing of troops is reported on the Leningrad front where a largescale German attack is expected, states the independent French agency.

The Germans are believed to be preparing to attempt some spectacular victory on part of the Russian front to bolster up the shaking morale of their allies.

Red Parachutists In Occupid Countries

Rome Radio said last night: "The Soviets are dropping partisans by parachute everywhere in occupied countries. They include women peasants and youths who roam the country and force the occupation troops to carry out constant mopping up operations."

Stalin Receives Br. General

The Moscow radio stated today that M. Stalin today received Gen. Martel, the new head of the British Military Mission, in Russia. M Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Commissar and Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr the British Ambassador were also present.

Soviet Bombers Raid Koenigsberg

MOSCOW, April 12.

Moscow radio announced last night that Soviet bombers raided Koenigsberg on Saturday night. Industrial and military objectives were bombed and large fires started. All the Soviet aircraft returned to their bases.—Reuter.

NAZI BOMBERS OVER EAST ANGLIA

LONDON, April 12.

There was slight German activity over coastal districts on East Anglia, south-east England last night. One raider was destroyed over its base in Northern France.

An R.A.F. Middle East Communique states that during the night of April 10/11 heavy bombers attacked Palermo. All our aircraft returned safely.

BR. SUBS TAKE HEAVY TOLL

British submarines have destroyed or damaged another 15 Axis vessels in the Mediterranean according to a British Admiralty Communique to-night. Eight of them were definitely and three others believed destroyed.—Reuter.

JAP BARRACKS AT YUGO SHELLED

CHUNGKING, April 12.

Chinese artillery have shelled Japanese barracks at Yugo in south Honan following a Japanese retreat to the fortified positions there, to-night's Chinese communique reports. Huge fires were started and heavy casualties caused.

Punjab Shias To Consider Pakistan Issue

LAHORE, April 12.

The working committee of the Punjab Shia Conference presided over by Nawabzada Muzzafar Ali Khan, M. L. A. resolved to summon a special session of the Conference in June to consider the Pakistan issue. The Committee also decided to establish an information bureau to promote the war activities of the community.—A. P.

LUCKNOW, April 11: Moulana Abdul Qayum, formerly President of the All-India Majlis Ahrar and still an active Ahrar worker has joined the Muslim League.—Orient Press.

NAZI CONTROL OVER ITALY

LONDON, April 12.

Reuter's military correspondent writes, that the Hitler-Mussolini meeting was apparently a full dress affair.

It is significant that the Duce had to go to Hitler. This means that he went in the attitude of one who wants help.

The people of Italy realise their danger and Mussolini can only hope to prolong his shaky tenure of authority with German aid.

It is to be expected that following the meeting there will be more active German control of military situation in Italy, WHETHER THIS WILL EXTEND TO THE FLEET REMAINS TO BE SEEN.

"Trieste" Sunk

Reuter's special correspondent at Allied Headquarters in Tunisia writes: The Italian heavy cruiser "Trieste" which was hit by Flying Fortresses on Saturday has sunk. —Reuter.

Release Congress Leaders Meeting Banned

BOMBAY, Monday.

The Secretary of the Bombay Committee of the Communist Party of India, writes:—

"Announcements have been sent to the Press about a public meeting to be held on Tueday April 13 at 6 P.M. at Marwari Vidyalaya Hall under the auspices of the Bombay Committee of the Communist Party of India to celebrate "Release the Congress Leaders" Day.

This meeting has now been cancelled as the Police has refused to give permission for the same."

GOVT. LOSES APPEAL AGAINST M.L.A.

LAHORE, April 12.

The Government appeal against the acquittal of Chaudhri Mohammed Hassan, a member of the Punjab Legislative Assembly, was dismissed to-day by a Division Bench of the Lahore High Court consisting of Mr. Justice Din Mohammad and Mr. Justice Sale.

Chaudhri Mohammed Hassan with four other occupants of his car, was prosecuted by the Ludhiana police for driving along the canal bank on October 28, 1940, without a proper permit. His car was detained for about 15 minutes, when he was alleged to have told the gateman that he was a member of the Punjab Assembly and threatened to get him imprisoned.

In acquitting the accused the Magistrate had made certain remarks against the district police. On a petition by the Crown their lordships ordered the expungment of those remarks.—A. P.

STATES PEOPLES' LEADER RELEASED

UJJAIN: Mr. S. M. Agarkar, Working President of the C. I. States' Peoples Conference, who was released from Nagpur Jail on account of blood pressure has arrived here.

VIOLET ALVA REMANDED

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mrs. Violet Alva who was arrested last evening at Chowpatty under the Defence of India Rules was today produced before Mr. K. J. Khandalawala, Presidency Magistrate at Mazagaon Police Court and remanded in custody till tomorrow

Mr. V K. Muranjan, Presidency Magistrate ordered Narsi Durlab who was also arrested yesterday morning for shouting Congress slogans, to be remanded in custody till tomorrow.

MAIL ROBBERY.

BERHAMPORE: A mail robbery is reported to have been committed near Sonatikuri. It is stated that the mail runner carrying mail bags from Baidanga was overpowered by some unknown persons who looted the contents of the bags, including the cash.

BIG ARMED DACOITY.

MIRAJ: According to reports received here an armed dacoity was committed at Kagwad in Athani Taluka. It is stated that about 50 men armed with weapons entered the village at midnight, and after snatching away the key of the iron safe from the cashier of Indrajit and Company opened the safe and decamped with the cash found there. They raided several bungalows also in the neighbourhood and robbed the persons staying there. The cash robbed amounted to about Rs. 6,000 in all.—United Press.

The Chinese Educational Cultural Mission arrived at Calcutta on Sunday night from Shantiniketan. They were entertained at a tea party at the Calcutta University and were according a reception by the Art Society.

More Allied Successes In Tunisia

Sousse & Kairouan Occupied: Axis Forced Into "Siege Area"

LONDON, April 12.

It is officially announced that the Allied have occupied Kairouan.

The Allies have occupied Sousse, according to an American broadcaster.

Reuter's special correspondent cables that Eighth Army patrols reached the outskirts of Sousse on Sunday morning. The docks are reported to be on fire.

Reports from the front state that the Axis have abandoned Kairouan airfield and base and destroyed supply dumps there.

AXIS EVACUATION

ROME:—To-day's Italian communique announces the evacuation of Kairouan and Sfax. The communique added: "Yesterday afternoon formations of four-engined bombers attacked Naples and Trapani and Marsala in Sicily, causing considerable damage.

BERLIN: — Monday's German communique stated: "In Tunisia our vanguards in the Kairouan and Sousse regions put up stiff resistance to the advance of the enemy. In continuous fighting German and Italian fighting groups withdrew northwards and during these movements evacuated Sfax and Kairouan.

ROMMEL'S RETREAT

LONDON:—Algiers Radio said to-day: "Latest reports indicate that Rommel has massed the bulk of his forces north of Sousse towards which the Eighth Army are pressing forward at full speed. They were barely 50 miles south of it on Saturday afternoon. Away to the west the British armoured forces are also continuing their advance on Kairouan from the Fondouk-el-Aoured sector and are now within 10 miles of the city. Following these attacks the enemy has accelerated his retreat."

FRENCH GENERAL KILLED

Welvert, the first French General to lose his life in the Tunisian campaign was mortally wounded when he brought his men almost within sight of Kairouan. Gen Welvert who commanded the French forces pushing from north of Pichon was a native of Lorraine.

BRITISH ADVANCE

From Reuter's special correspondent with the First Army:—British troops have advanced several miles to the north in the new thrust from Hunts Gap area, midway between Beja and Sidinsir which, began early to-day.

"BOOBY" TRAPS

The Germans before pulling back left many booby traps and mines in the path of the British advance also placed a number of tanks knocked out by the British some weeks ago astride the road but engineers quickly dealt with these obstacles. A small number of prisoners were taken.

The British forces continue to make good progress in the mountainous region northwest of Medjez-el-Bab. Patrols operating at night are playing a big part in this advance.

Axis In "Siege Area"

Reuter's special correspondent cables: With the Eighth Army's occupation of Sousse at 8-30 a.m. to-day and the occupation by the First Army of Kairouan at 11-30 yesterday, the Axis held area of Tunisia is now almost contracted to a 'Siege Area' in the mountainous north-east corner.

The Axis forces were able to break contact with Gen. Montgomery by extensive use of demolitions and mines but these are now being overcome and the Eighth Army will soon stand at the foot of the mountains in which the enemy hopes to find at least temporary refuge.

Before the first army reached Kairouan small tank battles were fought. Since entry into the holy city British armour has pushed on northward and in a tank engagement 12 miles to the north-west 10 enemy tanks have been knocked out.

OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE

Allied Headquarters in North Africa:—An Allied Communique states: "Patrols of the Eighth Army continued to advance in the coastal area. In the Fondouk sector our forces have occupied Kairouan. More prisoners have been taken. Some enemy tanks were destroyed.

In the area of Jeb-el-Dusselat, French troops made a local advance capturing high ground and continued to take a large number of prisoners.

In the Medjez-el-Bab—Munchar section our troops continued to make steady progress.

Air operations by the North-West African Air Force were carried out on an increased scale yesterday and during the previous night. Many attacks were made on enemy motor transport in the neighbourhood of Enfidaville and considerable damage was done. In the attack in this area by 'Hurricane' bombers escorted by 'Spitfires' 50 vehicles were left in flames and after attacks by Boston light bombers many fires were observed.

In the Enfidavill—Kairouan area, 'Warhawks made an attack on a large concentration of enemy vehicles three-quarters of which were left burning after the attack. Mine enemy aircraft were destroyed.

On the night of April 10/11, Wellington bombers of strategic airforce attacked enemy airfields in Sardinia where large fires were started. Yesterday 'Lightnings' while on sweepers in the Sicilian Straits again encountered large formations of 'Junkers' 52 transport-aircraft escorted by fighters. The 'Lightnings' destroyed 31 of the enemy aircraft.

'Flying Fortresses' bombed the docks and shipping at Tunis and in Sicily. At Tunis several direct hits were scored on a large merchant vessel and at La Marsalla and Trapani a number of fires were started in the dock areas and several ships were hit. One medium aircraft was destroyed during these attacks. Medium bombers attacked enemy airfields in Tunisia. A number of enemy aircraft were destroyed on the ground and fires started.

Aircraft of the north-west African coastal airforce maintained their regular shipping and anti-submarine patrols. From all these operations fourteen of our aircraft are missing.

Photographs taken since the attacks on April 10 by 'Flying Fortresses' on two Italian heavy cruisers at La Maddalena show that one cruiser has been sunk and the other is very seriously damaged. Medium bombers attacked enemy airfields in Tunisia."

Cheering soldiers and members of the A. T. S. cheered Lady Montgomery, the mother of Gen. Montgomery when she visited an anti-aircraft battery in Northern Ireland on Sunday for her birthday celebration. She was given a "Guard of Honour" by English, Scottish and Irish soldiers stationed there and one man described her reception as "like

FRENCH CAPTURE DJEOULA PASS

LONDON, April 12.

The Algiers Radio broadcast tonight the following French communique: "During the last few days, our forces captured a central locality of the mountainous region which stretches from Jebel Cherichera to the north of Pichon. French forces have taken the last stretch of the Djeoula Pass which gives access to the plain."—Reuter.

GOOD NEWS FOR "AUSSIES"

WASHINGTON, April 12.

Australia's Minister for External Affairs Dr. Evatt said after seeing President Roosevelt at the White House to-day that he felt sure that his present mission to Washington will bring "good news for the America and Australian forces in the South-west Pacific."

He said that he had laid specific recommendations on the South-west Pacific military situation before the President who was sympathetic with his views.

Dr Evatt added: "I know that before the mission is completed, it will be a case of good news for the American and Australian forces in the South-west Pacific and bad news for the Japanese."

Waste Paper Must Go To Paper Mills Again

CALCUTTA, April 12.

It is understood that the Government of India have directed all Provincial Governments to dispose of all kinds of waste paper in favour of paper mills only They have also been asked to take recourse to the Defence of India Act to cancel any existing contract which any of these Governments may have with any private party in respect of this waste paper in order that the same may go direct to the mills for manufacture of paper.—United Press.

SOVIET WHEAT FOR PERSIA

TEHERAN, April 12.

The Soviet Government have offered to send 25,000 tons of wheat to Persia ensuring Teheran's needs until the next harvest.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (July)

New York, April 12.

Previous closing	19.87
To-day's opening	19.81
Difference	—06

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

Previous closing 4.03

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

To-day's opening and closing 4.02 1/2 sellers; 4.03 1/2 buyers.

LONDON MARKETS

London, April 12.

GOLD AND SILVER

London (Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

Spot and Forward 23 1/2d.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay 1-6 1/32 sellers; 1-6 31/32 buyers.

New York on Bombay (30.37) 30-37

DISCOUNTS

3 months 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent.
4 months 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent.
6 months 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent.

SEEDS

Castorseeds Bombay April/May £38
Linseed Calcutta April/May £26
Linseed La Plata April/May £19 3/4
Groundnut Coromandal April/May East Cost Indian shipment £38. West Coast Indian shipment £38.

METALS

Electric Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

LONDON STOCK EXCHNAGE

The London Stock Exchange was steady to-day.

LOANS

3 per cent Australian Commonwealth £102 1/8; 2 1/2 per cent British Consols £82 1/8; 3 per cent Conversion Loan £106 3/8; 3 per cent Conversion Loan £100 9/16; 4 per cent War Loan £114 1/16; 3 1/2 per cent War £106; 3 1/2 per cent War Loan £101 3/16 4 per cent Victory Bonds £114 1/4.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, April 12.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices: General Motors dol 49 1/2
Anaconda Copper Mining dol 29 1/2
United States Steel Common dol 66 1/4
United States Steel Preferred unquoted.

ITALY CALLS UP KIDDIES

ZURICH: Italy is now calling up chidren of 14 under her industrial mobilisation measures according to the "Popolo d'Italia." They "must proceed to new destinations under penalty of being reported for disobedience."

"Brains-Trust" For Parsis

Will Bring Inter-Communal Co-operation, Says Prof. Daruwala

KARACHI, April 12.

"Inter-communal co-operation is a factor which cannot be lost sight of. We have fostered a brother-spirit among our sister communities and in so doing we have helped ourselves", said Prof. J. C. Daruwala in his presidential address at the seventh Karachi Parsi Youth Conference.

Prof. Daruwala after tracing the inherent defects in the social and economic structure now existing in the Parsi community stressed the need for setting up a "Brains-Trust" committee to inquire into the causes of the present stagnation and advise the community from time to time on matters of daily importance.

"The essential object of youth conferences", the speaker averred", is to give self-expression to the younger and responsible elements of the society, thereby indulging in free, frank and fearless discussions on subjects of social, economic, religious and political significance.

We should not try to abuse, on the contrary the spirit of tolerance, and accommodating nature will go a long way in combatting the evil of sectarianism

We are suffering from what can be termed "Delayed action" and here at this juncture the youth must step in boldly to guide his community".—A. P.

NEW DELHI: To meet the minimum essential sulphur requirements of sugar factories during the next session, the Government of India are arranging to supply them with Baluchistan ore of 20 to 25 per cent sulphur content, says a press note

BENARES: The creation of a "Central Sugar Committee" on the lines of the India Central Cotton Committee is under contemplation of the Government of India, the "Statesman" understands.

KINGSLEY WOOD DROPS A 6,000-MILLION POUNDER

War-time Britain To Dig Deeper Into Its Already Patched Pockets

WESTMINSTER, April 12.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir Kingsley Wood, presented to Parliament to-day what is expected to be the largest budget in British history, totalling about 6,000 million sterling. Last year's total expenditure was within 33 million sterling of this figure and revenue amounted to 2,819 million sterling.

Sir Kingsley Wood said that the United Kingdom had spent 1,509 million sterling in the United States on supplies, munitions and capital equipment since the war started. The value of British munitions sent to Russia was 170 million sterling.

INDIA HURDLE

The Chancellor said that war costs in Egypt, India and elsewhere were creating a financial situation of some difficulty for Britain in future.

The cost of the war had now reached the stupendous figure of 13,000 million sterling. The total British expenditure, including Debt Charges throughout the war period, was 15,600 miillion sterling.

Referring to India the Chancellor said that she had become a major arsenal for war materials for the Middle East. The greater part of the additional cost of India and of the defence outside her frontiers fell upon Britain which meant that a financial situation of some difficulty was being created for Britain in the future. In 1940 Britain was spending five million sterlings daily on the war. In the last budget the rate was twelve and a half millions. Now it was fifteen millions.

TAXATION RECORD

"In the face of such a situation I have to emphasize the problem of our post-war balances. We shall have to face grave deterioration in our external wealth but we are not dismayed." Taxation in the past financial year was the record figure of 2,483 million sterlings and for the first time Income-tax exceeded 1,000 millions. Even so from the beginning of the war to the end of last month Britain had had to borrow 6,667 millions.

A "SOBERING" BUDGET

Sir Kingsley Wood announced that beer duty would be raised by a penny per pint with a higher increase on higher gravity beers. A bottle of whisky would cost two shillings and four pence more, light wines three shillings and beaur wines would be up by six shillings per gallon. Tobacco duty would be increased by six shillings per pound on unmanufactured leaf. With corresponding increases on imported cigars and cigarettes but for the forces concessions would still be available at the prices of the 1941 budget. Pipe tobacco would be four pence half-penny to five pence an ounce more, cigarettes now costing nine pence for ten would cost ten pence half-penny. Cigarettes selling at ten for a shilling would cost 14 pence. The entertainment tax would be increased on all seats costing more than a shilling. The increase on theatre seats would be less than on cinema seats. The total revenue in the current year would be 2,907 millions.

Expensive "Lip" Service

The Chancellor also announced 100 per cent increase in the purchase tax on luxury articles like cosmetics and furs. This means that the purchaser will have to pay double the normal retail price.

Sir Kingsley said that personal savings last year had reached 1,170 million pounds and he expected them to reach 1,300 million pounds this year.

BERMUDA CONFERENCE

It is announced that the formal opening of Anglo-American conversations on the world problem of bringing relief to refugees is due to take place in Bermuda in the near future and the British and United States delegations will assemble there during the course of the present week.—Reuter.

Natal Congress Condemns "Segregation Measure"

LONDON, April 12.

Cape Town:—The Natal Indian Congress on Friday submitted a statement to the Minister of Interior, Mr. Lawrence urging that Government should not introduce what the Congress term "segregation measure." The statement says the introduction of the "pegging" legislation would be totally inconsistent with the principles of the Atlantic Charter, with the democratic system of Government and with Government's obligations under the Cape Town Agreement.

The statement says to advance the argument that a relatively small number of acquisitions represents a "menace" and that the whole of Durban may pass into Indian ownership is not only far-fetched but fantastic.

"We assert that the situation in Durban does not require legislation and the problem can be solved by other methods. Provision of adequate housing and improvement of amenities to Indian-occupied areas would of itself provide the solution."—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

ROMMEL'S NEXT STAND

LONDON, April 12.

From Reuter's military commentator:—

It does not seem at all likely that Rommel can succeed in evacuating his troops by sea. It only remains to be seen if he can get as far as Bizerta and what sort of resistance can that place offer to the Allies.—Reuter.

"Swaraj is my birth-right and I will have it."

—TILAK.

The Bombay Chronicle

INDIAN ECONOMISTS' WARNING

We are glad to note that the leading economists of India have at last stirred themselves to the realities around them and dropped the slough of economics being divorced from politics. The dangers created by inflation and all its consequences, have provoked them into uttering a solemn warning, which, we trust, will be read, inwardly digested, and acted upon by the Powers-that-be. The economists seem to have no doubt that the rise in the price level in the last year or two is due to the enormous expansion of India's paper currency. Considering the names of the economists who have signed this document, we hope no one will regard this as a political stunt or a search for limelight. They are equally certain that the unprecedented expansion of currency is due chiefly to the financing of heavy British purchases in India, paid for by Government providing rupee finance in the shape of an endless stream of inconvertible notes practically speaking. Nominally, the Government of India receive payments in sterling, which generally take the form of sterling securities, or I.O.U's. of the British Government accumulating in the currency reserve of India beyond all reasonable proportion. Whether these I.O.U's. are as substantial in value as gold,—with which they are lumped up under the Reserve Bank Act,—or would be liable to serious deduction, even if they remain valuable after the war, by such devices as capital levy adopted by England to reduce the burden of her domestic debt remains to be seen.

The economists are quite explicit as regards "the failure of Government of India to recognise this fundamental and essential fact, which has prevented them from taking a correct view of the economic and financial situation arising in consequence in the country." They proceed: "While the Government of India seem to be content only to provide for their own budgetary deficit, they meet the needs of the British Government by printing more paper money. The gap due to these purchases is filled by sheer inflation." "It is the most disastrous type of inflation", declare the signatories and add: "Inflation is the most inequitable way of distributing the war burden, and usually involves large transfers of wealth from the poorer and middle classes to the richer classes." No wonder one of the most outstanding specimens of the latter has taken up cudgels on behalf of Government and strives his hardest to make the country believe the problem facing it is not one of inflation, but of scarcity of supplies! The economists are definite in their view that immediate and drastic measures to check inflation are necessary and urge upon the Government of India the primary necessity of closing the gap by taxation, increased to the highest practicable pitch, and adjusted to shoulders that can best bear it, i.e., a much steeper progression in income-tax rates, with a maximum limit to individual consumption income, and absorption of all profits above a given limit, either by way of taxation, or by special forced loan contribution.

The signatories are anxious that the programme of remedies suggested should be brought into effect with great rapidity, though even then they realise it will take time before the inflationary gap is completely closed. A policy of central supervision and direction of the entire productive effort of the country would, as recommended by the economists, be even more effective in checking this disaster than a comprehensive scheme accompanied by a rigid control of all investment outlets. But the supervision, direction and control of the productive effort must also necessitate inevitably closer regulation of transport and the distributive machinery on a nation-wide scale, including rigid rationing of the essentials of life and an effective control of prices, which may even prescribe a maximum to the possible rise in wages. The prescription given by the economic doctors, we are convinced, is a very sound one. Our only doubt is whether a Government of India, constituted as the present one is, and lacking in a sense of confidence or identity of purpose with the masses of the people, can adopt such measures and carry them into effect with the fullness and efficiency which alone can guarantee their success. A truly National Government, commanding the unmitigated confidence of the people, is indispensable if the war effort of India is to rise to its proper level and the unnecessary sufferings inflicted upon its people are to be avoided.

Fuhrer-Duce Meeting

The Duce has been to the Fuhrer at the latter's headquarters on a three-day visit. The meeting was the first after about a year, which fact is both significant and quite intelligible. Much has happened in the interval to try the nerves and morale of the Axis powers, particularly [illegible] and Mussolini. They have received blows of disappointment as well as defeat and these blows have fallen with special force upon those less able to bear them, the Duce and his Fascists. The man is in a state of alarm and despondency and had to make a panic-stricken rush to Hitler. Mussolini must be a very different creature to-day from what he was in, for instance, the latter half of 1940 when the jackal roared in the voice of a lion. Now he can only whine for dear life.

It was natural that Mussolini should go abegging to Hitler. He has been kicked and whipped as none in this war. Nor are his misfortunes at an end. In fact, they are only just beginning in their really terrible form. He needs help and protection. And it is equally natural that Hitler should try to help and protect him as best as he can by extending German control over Italy. Such extension was, indeed, expected and we have no doubt that, as a result of the discussions at Hitler's headquarters, it would be presently enforced, too. But that need not worry the Alies. For they have known all along that it is the Germans whom they will have to fight when they invade Europe. And they should welcome the undoubted fact that the more extensive German responsibility is the less difficult it would be for them to launch their offensive at any given point or series of points from Norway to Greece.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

A Thought For The Day

"Today there are peoples and nations in the world yet bent on trampling underfoot the inalienable rights and dignities of men They have no eyes to see that over the blue horizon, beyond the smoky ruins and following in the wake of bursting bombs there is the vision of a new world—a world founded on practised justice and equality for all mankind."—MADAME CHIANG KAI-SHEK.

Depressing News

So Rommel has once more escaped. Reports received till yesterday said how he had extricated himself from a difficult situation in the Kairwan region and how the bulk of his troops had already moved northwards beyond Suse. Rommel has thus abandoned Central Tunisia, too. But it is a gain for him. He has now safely reached an area where he can offer, in conjunction with von Arnim, determined resistance to the Allied forces. The defence "box" formed on the coast of the mountainous country north of Suse to the west of Bizerta, is, as Allied commentators themselves say, going to be a tough proposition. It remains to be seen how long Rommel and von Arnim are allowed to fight in this box. Apparently the final struggle is going to be a longish affairs which is depressing

South Pacific Air War

The Japs have signalized their increased air strength in the south Pacific with two heavy raids on Allied shipping during the last seven days or so. The second one off the south-east coast of New Guinea has met with disaster, the Japs losing 23 planes and damaging only a tiny vessel. The first off Guadalcanar in which they lost 37 planes was, however, a success because they accounted for a destroyer, a tanker, a corvette and a fuelboat as also five planes. And yet this raid too was in reality much more a failure than a success. The United States can easily make up for its losses. The Japs, who have suffered heavily and whose resources are not equal even to the task of replacing lost ships and machines, simply cannot afford to go on losing 60 planes every week. Recent events in south Pacific suggest that, while the Japs are certainly in a position to cause America and Australia anxiety, Admiral Nimitz and General MacArthur can give them a whole lot of trouble if only they are provided with some more aircraft.

Cloth Famine

A sub-committee of the Standard Cloth Advisory Panal has decided that 100 million yards of standard cloth should be produced for the next quarter. Considering the abnormal rise in the prices of ordinary cloth and the consequent demand for cheap inferior cloth even by the lower middle classes in addition to millions of the poor classes this proposed output is utterly insufficient. The cloth famine has already become serious and Government cannot afford to be complacent about the matter. It is easier to produce more cloth than more food, if hand-spinning and handweaving are well organised Government should not neglect the utility in war-time of these supplementary sources of cloth production. There is enormous scope for hand-spinning and handweaving in jails and famine-stricken areas like Bijapur and Bellary.

INDIAN LANGUAGES NEWSPAPERS EXECUTIVE

An emergency meeting of the Executive Committee of the Indian Languages Newspapers Association will be held to-morrow (Wednesday) at 3 p.m. in the office of the Association to consider the letter issued by the Commerce Department to newspapers advising that newspapers will have to make individual purchases from the market. As this is a new situation, writes the Secretary of the Indian Languages Newspapers Association, which will adversely affect newspapers, all general members of the Association are also requested to attend this meeting of the Executive Committee.

NEWS IN BRIEF

The 'Battle-Dress girls are now serving with the forward troops on the Burma border—forty miles nearing the fighting line than any other women They are serving as nurses in one of the most advanced military hospitals, made entirely of bamboo but housing nearly 200 patients. In the day they wear the uniform of nurses, but in the evening they revert to khakhi drill "battle-dress." They are members of the Indian Medical Nursing Service

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A new and more comprehensive application form has been devised for the use of persons in Bombay claiming that they have not received ration cards and have not been provided for in somebody else's ration card. It is essential to have all the information required in the form for facilitating and expediting inquiries. The forms are available at the Ward Rationing Offices. Vernacular copies are being printed and will soon be made available.

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During March we destroyed 24 enemy aircraft in Arakan skies, claiming a further 21 probables and more than 30 damaged, said Flight-Lieut R. S. Hinder, broadcasting last night from Calcutta station of All-India Radio.

These figures, he said, excluded those wiped out or damaged on the ground, shot down by anti-aircraft and destroyed or damaged by the U S A. F. Our fighters showed marked superiority over the Japs during the month.

Flight-Lieutenant Hinder said that the new Japanese pilots taken in the place of those shot down by the Royal Air Force over Burma were not showing the keenness and dash encountered in the Jap pilots we fought a year ago. The new Japanese school seemed cautious and appeared to have copied the Wolf-Pack tactics of the German air force, of which he saw a great deal in Libya last year.

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According to an A P. message from Bangalore the first presentation of the "Wavell Banner." an imposing flag with a crest embodying the lion of Britain and the tiger of India was awarded to the best all-round company training at the O.T.S.

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The WAC's (I) celebrated their first birthday on April 9.

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Sir Azizul speaking at the Islamia College Founders' Day celebration said. "The war problems have brought, in all realities, the fact that the post-war world must need a reorientation, particularly in the matter of education. India must be alive to that if she is to live among the comity of nations.".

Readers' Views

Govt. And The Press

"The Hindu" says that the Madras Government is spending from their taxes to subsidise an Andhra paper. It also says that the authorities will give it newsprint also. Is this a stray case or part of a larger policy? We hear that special facilities are given to one Punjab newspaper to get the amount of newsprint it wants, quota or no quota. The old woman of Boribunder can tell us the truth about her recent Karachi experience. Everyone says she went there with a complement of staff to acquire "Daily Gazette". Something must have gone wrong in the calculation. Today the old ma is disappointed. "Daily Gazette" pursues its vigorous nationalist policy and grandma's children have returned to Bombay. The "Daily Gazette" is an eyesore to Sind officials. The Governor openly said he wanted a Government newspaper. Four days after, Mr. Pearson and Sir Francis Low went to Karachi. "The Half Columnist" and many others said many things but old ma is silent. "Daily Gazette's" Bombay representative tells me that he asked his proprietor about this and the proprietor said there was no connection between the "Times of India" and the "Gazette." He also said there was no change in policy. Boribunder's silence is suspicious but the vigorous patriotism of the "Daily Gazette" owners is commendable. They are the partners of F. E. Dinshaw. If Pearson and Co. knew this, they might not have courted a disappointment in newspaper enterprise. Had the Government anything to do with this unknown chapter of Indian journalism?

PATRIOTIC ADVERTISER.

G. I. P. Ry.

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Through the medium of your esteemed journal I should like to bring to the notice of the G. I. P. Railway authorities the fact that now-a-days several workmen employed in the G. I. P. Railway workshops at Matunga and Parel make it a practice to travel in the morning and in the evening in the ladies' compartments of the local trains and thus inconvenience the lady passengers travelling in their own compartments. This is highly objectionable.

I hope the G.I.P. Railway authorities will look into this matter and see that the complaint referred to herein is allayed in the interest of public.—Yours, etc.,

MOHOMED YUNUS DALVI.

Railway Timings

By revising the timings of the local train service, the B. B. and C. I. railway have only caused inconvenience to the travelling public, especially to the office-going population. Dadar in recent times, has become a crowded centre and the discontinuance of the 10-32 a.m. fast train has added to the hardship of the people. There is no fast train from Dadar between 10-18 a.m. and 10-38 a.m. and those who have to attend office at 11 a.m. are much inconvenienced by the discontinuance of the 10-32 fast train. Will the Railway authorities reintroduce the 10-32 a.m. train as fast train as before?

S. R. K.

Points From Letters

Dr. D. K. Lalwani writes from Hyderabad (Sind) that this year at the Inter-Science Examination of the Bombay University the two Physics papers were unduly stiff and that it would be a great tragedy if the majority of students lose their precious year on account of these papers. He suggests to the University authorities to show leniency and give at least 10 p.c. grace marks to alleviate the severity of the papers.

British-American Post-War Currency Plans

SIR CHUNILAL B. MEHTA URGES PROTECTION OF INDIAN INTERESTS

Regarding British and American post-war currency and exchange plans, Sir Chunilal B. Mehta in an interview to a "Chronicle" representative said:—

"There are certain common points in the two plans. There are some points which are not in the U.S.A. plan, and some other points are not in the British plan. In the absence of full and complete details it is difficult to give an opinion in the matter. However, from what particulars are available, I see the following points:

"The first thing is that gold is going to be installed again as the international unit for currency and will continue to play an important part in the financial problems of the future. Secondly, the British plan suggests that, at the end of five years, the creditor countries should either receive goods or services or write off their credit balances. Thirdly, the American plan is silent on the settlement of the balances at the end of any period and it suggests only the settlement of currency and exchange problems. Fourthly, it is openly said that until the U.S.A. is prepared to receive services and goods from the other countries against their favourable trade balances, the British plan could not work. Fifthly, the U.S.A. plan is unlikely to be accepted by other nations, as it would continue to keep them in an indebted position for a long time. One of the main features of both the plans is that the currencies of the different countries will be linked with an international unit at a certain value. In arriving at the value of such linking, it is reported that mainly the trade balances, gold holdings and such other things will be taken into consideration. The Finance Member, Sir Jeremy Raisman, in the course of his remarks and replies to questions in the Legislative Assembly on 5th March last has said as follows: 'I cannot foresee the post-war economic situation. It is obvious to everybody that there are exceedingly important and difficult international economic questions which will have to be settled, and clearly the relations of different currencies will be one of the main questions which will have to be settled, the relations of sterling and dollar particularly.' Further he has said: 'I could not foresee the exact economic and currency arrangements as they will be after the war.' Again he has said: 'The sterling area is one thing and the dollar area is another thing. The relation between these currencies is a matter which will undoubtedly be settled and it is essentially a post-war problem.' While it can be appreciated that the Finance Member could not forecast what will be the exchange relations between sterling and dollar after the war, one thing is crystal clear from his replies above quoted that the settlement of this issue is a post-war problem and the values may change from its present base.

NEW DOLLAR-STERLING RATIO

"Therefore, it comes to this: (1) Sir Jeremy Raisman is not sure of the exchange value of sterling as against dollar or gold after the war. (2) Both the British and American plans contemplate an international gold unit and linking of currencies of different countries to that unit. (3) Reserve Bank of India at present holds a very large amount of sterling balance and it is sure to increase further. (4) One thing is certain—sterling is not going to appreciate after the war. If anything, it would remain at the present level or depreciate. (5) In case sterling depreciates after the war, India would suffer huge losses in her holdings of sterling securities. In this connection, I would like to refer to a telegram from Washington, dated March 25 last, which reads as follows: 'Conversations about revaluing dollar sterling ratio are at present under way, Reuter understands from reliable Treasury quarters here. Any results achieved are expected to be incorporated in a post-war economic agreement of major importance.' From the above telegram it can be seen that conversations are already going on for a new dollar sterling ratio and on that basis both dollar and sterling will be linked to the new proposed international currency unit. In order to show how India would suffer by the depreciation of sterling, I would cite an example: The U.S.A. scheme proposes its unit 'Unitas' as to weigh 137.14 grains of fine gold equalling 10 dollars. Supposing that unit is accepted, then as per present values, £2½ and Rs. 33-1|3 would be equal to one Unitas. But if £3 and Rs. 30 are made equal to one Unitas, what would happen? Then all our sterling balances would automatically get depreciated. In order to avoid any such possibility or probability, it is most essential that India should have an undertaking from the British Government that in case sterling depreciates after the war, India will be compensated to the full extent of such depreciation.

AN ILLUSION

"Many people in India believe that if sterling depreciates, rupee also would simultaneously depreciate as rupee is linked to sterling. But what I feel is that in the post-war arrangements rupee sterling link will be broken and rupee will be linked to the new proposed international unit, and, therefore, to remain in confidence that any depreciation of sterling will also depreciate the rupee is an illusion. Further not only that, but while linking the rupee to the new proposed international unit the consequent appreciation of the rupee from its present level will greatly affect our import and export trade. It is now high time that the Indian financial, commercial and industrial public as well as the economists should very carefully consider the new position that is being created, the signs of which are now quite clear before our eyes, and take all necessary steps to protect the Indian interests in the post-war international arrangements that are now being proposed."

Huq Wants Muslim University

CALCUTTA, April 12.

The hope that in the not distant future the dream and ambition of a Muslim University in Bengal would be realised, was expressed by Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, former Chief Minister of Bengal, in a message read at the Founders' Day Celebrations of the Islamia College, Calcutta, to-day.

Sir Azizul Huq, High Commissioner for India in London, presided.—A. P.

Bijapur Flag Day In Bombay

BOMBAY, Monday.

A number of ladies, sold flags on Monday for "Bijapur Flag Day". Military officers bought and paid generously at several places where ladies were posted for the sale of the flags. About 500 volunteers under 30 Group Leaders went round the city and the suburbs to raise funds for this purpose.

Rising Prices Of Vegetables

The prices of vegetables, fish, fruits and eggs have soared very high in the past few days owing to the paucity of transport. Since the petrol rationing came into vogue, the motor lorries which used to bring vegetables, etc. from Poona and Nasik, have discontinued the road transport. The merchants now have to depend upon railway transport which arrives not very late in the city but generally in deteriorated condition. The eggs which used to be sold for six annas a dozen are now sold at Rs. 1/4 per dozen. Vegetable prices have doubled or trebled. Likewise mutton which used to be sold at five annas per pound, is not sold between seven and eight annas per pound. The rise in prices can safely be said to be between 200 and 300 per cent.

Detained Punjab Congress Party Leader In Hospital

Former Bombay Minister's Son Jailed

LAHORE, April 12.

Dr. Gopichand Bhargava, former leader of the Congress Party in the Punjab Assembly, was brought for treatment in the Mayo Hospital from the Lahore Central Jail.

AHMEDABAD: Mr. Perci Vakil son of the late Sir Rustom Vakil, who was a Minister of the Bombay Government was tried on Monday on the charge of leading a procession in defiance of the order of the District Magistrate and sentenced to three months' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 200, in default to two months' further R. I.

SURAT:—A place near Rukhamabai Hospital was searched. Mr. Thakorebhai Jinabhai was put under arrest for being in possession of unauthorised literature.

KARACHI:—Twenty-eight persons were arrested in Nawabshah during the week-end, while they were going in a procession, according to a message from Nawabshah.

CIVIC GUARD ARRESTED

The Runchore police have arrested a Civic Guard, named Mohamed Eur, on a charge of breach of trust.

MIRAJ:—Mr. T. J. Kulkarni, a young worker of the Akhil Bharatiya Charkha Sangha, kept in detention for the last three months in the Sangli State Jail under D. I. R., has been released.

Mr. Lakshman Dharmaji Bhambhure, an Income-tax expert, has been prosecuted for being in possession of prejudicial pamphlets.

CALCUTTA ARRESTS

CALCUTTA: Five places in the city were searched on Monday, by the special branch police who brought four persons to headquarters for interrogation. Three of these persons were later sent to jail for detention under D.I.R.

COLLECTIVE FINES: Collective fines of Rs. 15,000 and Rs. 3,000 have been imposed on Mugutkhanhbli and Saundalga, respectively, in Belgaum District; and Rs. 6 000 on the villages of Kallur and Neerlakatti, in the Dharwar Taluka of Dharwar District.

SANJANWALA RELEASED

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mr. D. T. Sanjanwala was released on Friday. He was arrested from Umbergaon District, Thana, under D.I.R.

'PARLE GIRLS JAILED

(From Our Correspondent)

A procession of about 70 women and children was taken out on Sadanan Road, Vile Parle on Sunday evening. On the way to the railway station, they were dispersed. Miss Nirmala Daya and Miss Asad Mehta, who were leading the procession, were arrested. They were placed on Monday morning, before Mr. R. S. Vyas, Resident Magistrate, Dindoshi, and sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 75 in default to undergo six weeks' R.I. (B. Class).

IMPERIALISM MUST GO

Willkie On Churchill's Pronouncement

LONDON, (By Cable.)

Wendell Willkie's new book "One world" contains a highly informative account of things the author saw in Russia, and an enthusiastic portrait of Stalin, "one of the significant men of this generation." Mr. Willkie writes: 'Contrary to general report, Stalin has great respect for Mr. Churchill. He almost said it to me—the respect of the great realist for another."

Some of the misgivings about Imperialism which Mr. Willkie voiced both in Chungking and on his return to the United States, and which made many people feel that he had been unfair to the people of the British Commonwealth, are repeated here. Now, however, he qualifies what he said on this subject "I was greatly distressed", he writes "when Mr. Churchill made his world-disturbing remark, 'We mean to hold our own. I did not become His Majesty's First Minister to preside over the liquidation of the British Empire. I have been cheered since, however, by discussion with many Britons now resident in the United States, by following the British Press, by an amazingly large steadily continuing correspondence from people in England and all over the British Empire, to find that British public opinion on these matters is even far ahead of opinion in the United States. The British have no doubt—and, so far as I can see, little regret—that Imperialism must pass and that the principles of the British free Commonwealth of Nations must be extended to all corners of the Empire."

FEDERATION FOR DECCAN STATES

Constitution On Agenda Of Jamkhandi Conference

MIRAJ, April 12

The Sabade Committee appointed at Sangli has, in consultation with eminent workers of the All-India States People's Conference, prepared a Federal Constitution for the Deccan States

Consideration of the Constitution will be the main item on the agenda of the Deccan States People's Conference to be held at Jamkhandi under the presidentship of Mr. M. S. Aney, former member of the Viceroy's Executive Council.—United Press.

SMALLER STATES OF KATHIAWAR

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, April 11.

Lt.-Col. G. B. Williams, Officer, on Special duty for implementing the scheme of transfer of smaller States and Estates in Kathiawar to States of self-sufficient resources, has already informed the parties concerned, of the final scheme, formulated by the Crown Representative. Public announcement of this scheme, which will have far-reaching effects on the future of Kathiawar will be made simultaneously from Delhi and Rajkot, through an extraordinary gazette on 16th April. Baroda, Junagadh and Nawanagar are the main beneficiaries in this transference.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

. . . . **the former policy of having under privileged races "milked as has been the habit of most of the colonial empire systems of the world."**

—Mr. Alfred Landon.

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Apropos of India, Mr. Sumner Welles says: "This is a tremendously complicated and delicate problem."

Yes most complicated and even more delicate.

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More details have come in about Mr. Willkie's book and its contents which are both seditious and seriously prejudicial to the Defence of India.

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It is officially announced from New York that Mr. Wendell Willkie may visit Australia.

This is unfortunate but not surprising. You see, there is nothing—and no one—to stop him and protect Australia.

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"The most ardent nationalist must admit that.....the mass of the Indian people has little conception of political rights and responsibilities and that its economic condition is a struggle for existence —The "Evening News of India."

You may in your impatience and annoyance feel like giving our contemporary a lesson or two in History, Political Philosophy, Freedom, Independence, etc. with examples from China, Russia, Europe and so on.

But we appreciate our contemporary's genuine concern and even go so far as to suggest that it should now openly demand another 150 years of British rule for India.

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LAND OPERATIONS IN ARAKAN

Position Explained.

—Headlines

Quite, quite. Let's say no more about it.

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Apropos of the Burma campaign, Anglo-India points out that "we are confronted with much the same task as General MacArthur in the South Pacific."

Who is handling it successfully enough in the circumstances.

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General Alexander assures General Eisenhower that the task of driving the Axis from their last foothold in Africa will be successfully accomplished.

Not even Hitler and Mussolini doubt it. But——when?

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It is reported that the battle of Tunisia has caused a great migration of wild duck to Spain.

Which must cause poor Mussolini in Italy great annoyance and envy.

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Manavadar Go Down Fighting In Aga Khan

"The finest game for years"—that is how yesterday's semi-final in the Aga Khan Hockey between Manavadar and the G. I. P. can best be described, the State team going down to the Railway by 2—1 after a gruelling struggle which brought out the best that was in every man—and the best that is in Hockey.

Manavadar led by a goal until the interval, scored by Shahbuddin off a penalty corner. The second half saw a homeric struggle in which the railwaymen rallied splendidly, but it was not until they were awarded a penalty bully midway that they were able to get on terms through Nabishah. And as if in an inspired spell, the railway a minute later registered the second goal which was obtained by Hakim, the crowning effort to a beautiful movement which commenced from the centre line, and one which was destined to bring the Railway into the Finals.

TO-DAY'S GAME—6 P.M.
Second Semi-Finals.
Lusitanians v. B. B. and C. I.

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Appeals On Sentences For Undeclared Stocks Dismissed

(Before the Hon. the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Weston)

Their Lordships dismissed two appeals, one by Mr. August Gourdon, proprietor of Gourdon and Co. and the other by Mirzamad Marzaalli Akbarally, manager of a restaurant. The former had been sentenced to a month's rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 1,000 for not declaring his stock of sugar, while the latter had been sentenced to two months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 500 for selling two match-boxes at 1 1/2 annas each instead of 1 1/4 annas fixed by Government. Both the sentences appealed from had been passed by Mr. K. J. Khandalawalla, Fourth Additional Presidency Magistrate.

Observing that hoarding and profiteering must be severely punished, their Lordships upheld the convictions and sentences except that the sentence of imprisonment on Mr. Gourdon was altered from rigorous to simple.

SUIT AGAINST BUILDING CONTRACTOR DISMISSED

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Chagla.)

J. R. B. Jeejibhoy and Another ...Plaintiffs
Versus
T. K. Printer and Others ..... Defendants.

The first defendant is a building contractor. The plaintiffs alleged that in or about 1934 he had entered into an agreement with them to take leases from the Bombay Municipality in respect of plots in the Dadar-Matunga Hindu Colony in his own name but as trustee for the plaintiffs, to construct buildings for the plaintiffs for certain fixed amounts and to recover the rents for the plaintiffs out of which he was to pay a fixed monthly sum to them. The first defendant having sold one of those buildings named "Jubilee" to one Bai Sumangauri, the plaintiffs filed this suit for possession of this building as the owners thereof.

His Lordship held that the plaintiffs had failed to prove the agreement alleged by them and therefore dismissed the suit with costs.

TEA EXPORTS FROM BOMBAY PROVINCE

BOMBAY: A Press Note says:—

With effect from the 11th April, 1943, Government has imposed a ban on the export of tea by rail, road or sea from any place within the limits of the province of Bombay to any place in India outside the limits of the Province except under a licence granted by it. No such licence will, however, be necessary for quantities up to 5 lbs. carried by a 'bona fide' traveller as part of his personal luggage.

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City And Suburbs

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Hindu: Chaitra Shud 8, 1999
Muslim: Rabi-ul-Akhar 7, 1362
Parsi: Avan 11, 1312.
Sunrise: 7-24 a.m. Sunset: 7-54 p.m.
Hightide: 5-18, 19-02, Lowtide: 0-17, 11-34.

DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS

INDIAN UNITY GROUP: A meeting of the Educational, Cultural and Social Committee will be held to-day at 3 p.m. at Scindia House, Ballard Estate, Bombay.

SHREE RAMANAVAMI will be celebrated in the premises of Andhra Mahasabha, today. Gathering of ladies at 11 a.m. and Pooja. Gathering of men in the evening at 8 p.m.

GATHA SOCIETY: Public meeting to-day at 6 p.m. (S.T.) at K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, 136, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, when Dastur Framroze Ardeshir Bode will give in Gujarati an Exposition of first few stanzas of Gatha Vohu Khshathra, Yasna Ha 5.

National Week

Any one who spares at least half an hour for spinning yarn daily can be self-sufficient in one's own Khadi requirements.
Just begin!
—Bombay Charkha Sangh.

NATIONAL WAR FRONT: A public meeting will be held at Lower Parel, Arya Samaj Hall, to-day at 7 p.m. Mr. B. R. Kadrekar will address the meeting on "Present situation of War" and Principal N. M. Kale, M.A., Director, National War Front, will preside.

MR. K. J. B. WADIA will lecture in English at the Besant Hall of the Lodge at French Bridge, Chowpatty, to-day at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) on "Beauty, Art and Culture."

NATIONAL WEEK: Under the auspices of the Bombay Committee of the Communist Party of India, a public meeting will be held at Nappoo Hall (Matunga, G.I.P.) at 9 p.m. to-day, to celebrate the National Week.

BOMBAY CIVIL LIBERTIES' UNION: Executive Committee meeting will be held at the R. L. Trust Building, 55, Girgaum Road, Bombay, to-day at 6-30 p.m.

LIST OF GRAIN SHOPS: A list showing the addresses of Government Grain Shops and authorised retailers in the Ward which still have vacancies for the registration of ration cards has been put up for the information of the public at each Ward Rationing Office. Similar lists for all Wards have also been put up at all Police stations in the City.

FOR VISITORS TO KASHMIR: Persons in possession of firearms visiting Kashmir and Jammu, are advised to take with them their British Indian possession licence for weapons other than those which form part of the authorized equipment of Government officers. Failure to carry such licence may result in the detention of the firearms by the State authorities at the customs post.

The Government of Bombay has nominated Mr. B. V. Jadhav, M.A., LL.B., a member of the Provincial Rural Development Board.

Bombay And Voluntary Civil Defence

"Bombay is practically the only city in India that relies to a great extent on a volunteer service, and the City has every reason to be grateful to its volunteers for the splendid work which they have carried out in such an unselfish and self-sacrificing spirit", said Mr. J. Abernathy, A.R.P. Controller, in the course of a talk on "Volunteers and A.R.P." from the Bombay Station of the All-India Radio on Monday night.

"Our volunteers in Bombay in the various services number over 20,000. These volunteers can assist us tremendously in making the public A.R.P. conscious by broadcasting through the medium of their friends and relations the important points in Civil Defence.

A. R. P. Training For Teachers

Messrs. I. C. Bhatt, B. A., B. T., S. T. C., D. T. Mehta, B. A., B. Sc., B. T., S. W. Phadnis, B. A., S. T. C., and A. D. Patel, four teachers of over ten years' standing in the Sheth M. A. High School, Andheri, in the course of a statement say that because they had insisted that an allowance of Rs. 10 per month might be given to them during the course of their A. R. P. training, which the Principal was unwilling to grant, their services as teachers in the school have been abruptly terminated by the Principal. The teachers conclude their statement with the following remark:—

They are most willing to go in for the A. R. P. training. They know full well the humanitarian character of the work and if the school as an institution does not insist on their going to the A. R. P. School, to get training and qualification then they are willing to learn the same in the school through outside experts and discharge their duties of the A. R. P. even without allowance. They wish for an allowance of only Rs. 10 per month if they are to go and serve not as private individuals, if they have to do so in any official capacity in the institution.

WEATHER CHART

POONA, April 12.

Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 8 hours on 8-4-43:—

Allahabad 92 76 nil; Bombay 89 75 nil; Calcutta 99 78 nil; Cawnpore 90 69 nil; Cuttack 101 79 nil; Darjeeling 66 50 0.2; Delhi 97 64 nil; Dehra Dun 91 61 0.3; Jacobabad 91 62 nil; Karachi 85 69 nil; Lahore 89 63 nil; Lucknow 92 67 nil; Madras 89 78 T; Nagpur 100 69 0.1; Patna 103 75 nil; Peshawar 81 58 nil; Shillong 78 55 nil; Simla 64 40 0.3.—A.P.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

At the Youth Conference now being held in Karachi, the suggestion has been made of setting up a Brain Trust for the Parsis. The idea comes from Professor Daruwala, who presided at the Conference and it would appear an excellent idea, BUT, and I have to use capitals, a "Brain Trust" means a collection of men who have brains and this is where I am afraid the idea will miscarry in its execution, for Parsi committees and institutions have a tendency to be emotional about Parsi families rather than individuals with the result that to-day some of the worst duds in the community get pushed into the forefront as leaders of the Community. If this is to be the result of this idea then I think it would be better if it was never tried, because a Brain-trust without brains would be an eye-sore. If the idea is to collect here some of the real talent which is often concealed in the community, it may still be the salvation of this community which is economically deteriorating fast.

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The Gentleman from Dash Dash Roa has written to the Rationalist Association telling them that he has still not received his ration card, although he has been a member for quite some time.

Mica Mining And Trading Co. Of India Ltd.

The above Company has arranged for securing some of the best Mica fields in Bihar and Rajputana for working there under the guidance of eminent Geologists of India on a big scale and side by side all possible arrangements have been made for the expansion of the factories to meet the enormous and ever increasing demand of its products.

To translate these projects into action, the Share Capital of the Company has lately been increased from 5,00,000 to 25,00,000.

Appreciation Of Rajaji

At a meeting of the Muslim Students' Union a resolution was passed condoling the death of Begum Azad and regretting Government's policy in not releasing Moulana Azad on this occasion. By another resolution the Union expressed appreciation of Rajaji's efforts for ending the present deadlock.—Orient Press.

Two hours' duty on board ship—that's a dog watch.

Different indeed from the year-in year-out duty that a watch by Favre-Leuba is required to give. No rest, no let-up, right through a lifetime of service—that's the standard set for every Favre-Leuba model. Unsolicited testimony from owners is that the standard is faithfully maintained.

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THE MICA MINING & TRADING CO., OF INDIA, LIMITED.

REGISTERED OFFICE:—12, CHOWRINGHEE SQR., CALCUTTA.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL:— Rs. 25,00,000
(Rupees Twenty-five lacs) only.

DIVIDED INTO

2,000	7% Cumulative Preference Shares of	Rs. 100/- each.
90,840	Ordinary Shares of ..	Rs. 25/- each.
11,600	Deferred Shares of ..	Rs. 2/8/- each.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL Rs. 5,00,000
(Rupees five lacs) only

1,000	Preference Shares of	Rs. 100/- each.
15,840	Ordinary Shares of	Rs. 25/- each.
1,600	Deferred Shares of	Rs. 2/8/- each.

PAID UP CAPITAL:—Rs. 3,10,688

PRESENT ISSUE:

Rs. 7,50,000/- (Rupees seven lacs fifty thousand) only.

DIVIDED INTO

500	Preference Shares of	Rs. 100/- each.
27,000	Ordinary Shares of	Rs. 25/- "
10,000	Deferred Shares of	Rs. 2/8/- "

The Company has been carrying on business with an Authorised Capital of Rs. 5 lacs which has been fully subscribed. The enormous and ever increasing demand of the products and opening of some most profitable lines of manufacture have necessitated, the Company to expand the factories and mines for working on larger scale to the best advantage and interests of the Shareholders. Hence the increment and present issue.

Holders of the present issue shall be entitled to participate in the dividend from due date of full payment.

TERMS OF PAYMENT

With application	10%.
On allotment	10%.
Balance within 1st July, 1943.	

Payment may be made in full in advance on allotment or anytime thereafter. Interest at the rate of 6% per annum, which the Company will forward by a separate Cheque, will be allowed on prepayment.

An Admission Fee of Re. 1/- only should accompany each Application.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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TECHNICAL DIRECTOR
Mr. NIKHIL RANJAN GUHA THAKURTA.

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Registered Accountants,
Incorporated Accountants,
2, Royal Exchange Place, CALCUTTA.
M|s. GUHA & GUHA, R.A.,
21, Old Court House Street, CALCUTTA.

MANAGING AGENTS.
Messrs. GUHA, CHATTERJI & SIRCAR, LTD., 12, Chowringhee Square, CALCUTTA.

FACTORIES.
GIRIDIH & CALCUTTA

OBJECTS.

The Company has been formed for the purpose and with the object as set forth in the Memorandum of Association of the Company and in particular for carrying on the business as manufacturer of Mica and micanites of all varieties and forms, Condensers for Radio and other Electrical machineries, Black and Yellow adhesive Tapes, Empire Cloth and tubes and as micamine owners and dealers in all the above commodities.

MICA.
ITS IMPORTANCE AND CHIEF USES

"In a very real sense our vast electrical development is a monument to mica,—the one indispensable di-electric. The history of the intensive Electrification that has been in progress during the last three decades, is the history of modern mica industry".

In the late nineties it was somewhat tentatively predicted that the day would come when current may be transmitted at 10,000 volts if a proper insulating medium could be developed. Today power is sent over from Boulder Dam to Los Angeles at a tension of 287,000 volts with a minimum of loss, and it is possible to reach and employ this enormous pressure only in transformers insulated with Mica.

Mica is an essential component in the construction of a large number of important electrical apparatus. Its chief function is that of a thin, flexible, heatproof and water proof electrical insulator. Among the appliances Mica is most largely used in electrical generators and their power distributing agents—transformers and motors. Built up Mica Board or Micanite from which are cut patterns and shapes, used in electrical appliances and it serves adequately most of the requirements of large natural sheet Mica where transparency extreme thinness and very high heat resistence and di-electric strength are required.

Sheet Mica may be considered indispensable in the electrical industry and is used in commutator or segments for motors and generators. The automobile industry of the United States alone may account for 230,000,000 small Mica segments. The construction of commutator V rings involves another important use for Mica. Mica insulation plays a very important part in the structure of a generator or motor armature.

Transformers, sparking plugs, radio tubes (Annual production 78,000,000 in the United States), radio condensers and telephones furnish an example of the strenuous duty performed by insulations.

Other uses of sheet Mica or built up Mica are for various domestic and industrial appliances, e.g. electrical flat irons, cooking apparatus, stove windows, lantern chimneys, furnace peephole covers, goggles and protection screen, neon lights, washers, tubes etc.

Scrap or waste Mica are exported to foreign markets where it is utilised in important quantities for extensive use in lubricants, annealing, concrete and foundry facings, pipeline enamel, pipe and boiler laggings, fireproof paints, patent roofing materials, decorative medium for fancy papers, ornamental tiles and specialities. It is also used in fairly large quantities in moving picture studios, and also in rubber industries.

Besides, it is indispensable and considered a key-product for the manufacture of arms and ammunitions.

At the Mica Conference held at Delhi, in January, 1940—Lieut. Colonel E. Wood, Secretary, Department of Supply, said, "All present were well known how vital the question of Mica is for the modern Aeroplane, Submarine, Tank, and Wireless. So much so that it may well be one of the instruments by which decisive advantage may be gained or lost by the combatants."

The quarterly report of the India Government's Trade Commissioner, New York for April-June, 1940, shows that Mica is among the 14 commodities considered "Strategic" by U. S. Army and Navy Munitions Board.

From the above statement it will be clear, what a vital importance is attached to mica for its utility and keen demand at all times whether in war or at peace.

STRATEGICAL IMPORTANCE OF INDIA IN SUPPLY OF MICA TO THE WORLD

It is gratifying to note and a matter of pride that the source of the Mica supply upon which depends the whole structure of the Industrialised world, is to a large extent concentrated in one country, India alone, which accounts for 80% of the world's output.

PROSPECT.

India has such possibilities and facilities in favour of successful establishment of an important manufacturing line like manufacturing of Micanite products as are not possible in any way for any other country to enjoy. India has abundant supply of raw materials of her own necessary for manufacture of Mica and Micanite products by her own labour force which may be considered as the cheapest in the world. Naturally, India is in unique position to build up a manufacturing line that can lead the whole world and as such will capture all the external markets at such rates as are impossible for any other country to compete with.

ACTIVITIES
MANUFACTURING OF MICANITES

The Company has been manufacturing Micanites and Mica Condensers etc. of all varieties and forms in its well equipped Factory in Calcutta which are finding ready market with high appreciation from their consumers who are mostly the Govt. of India, Railways and the biggest industrial concerns like Tata Iron & Steel Co. Ltd., etc.

It is really a matter of great pride that the products of the Company have attracted the eyes of the importers of foreign countries who are eager to take up the agencies for their countries. This is mainly due to price and quality being such as to stand any competition. The Company is negotiating with the foreign business magnates which is expected to mature at an early date.

MICA FACTORY.

The Mica factory of the Company at Giridih is one of the biggest factories for the manufacture of Block Mica, Condensers and splittings of all varieties wherefrom huge quantity of mica is being supplied to Joint Mica Mission, which has recently been setup by the Government of U. S. A. & U. K with which is associated the Government of India.

MINES

In addition to the existing mines under work the Company has arranged to secure some of the best mica fields in Bihar and Rajputana under the guidance of eminent Geologists of India, for working on larger scale, to cope with the ever increasing demand.

BLACK TAPE

Imports of Black tapes and other insulating materials necessary for Electrical and other industries have fallen to such a low level as to entail a dire necessity in favour of successful establishment of this line of manufacture. The Company has availed of the opportune moment and has started this new line of manufacture which has immense possibilities and scope. This is the most profitable line ever established in this country and as such it is sure to bring in enormous profit to the shareholders.

TECHNICAL STAFF

The Company has been able to secure the services of a batch of experts, particularly qualified with sound knowledge in their lines and with the help of the efficient technical staff the Company has been able, within such short period of time, to achieve such a remarkable success. Their services may be considered as valuable assets towards the enhancement of prosperity of the Company, day by day.

It will be of great interest to the investing public to note that this is the only concern which is engaged in manufacture of all departments of mica from mining to the manufacture of finished products and as such its position is unique and thus the prospect of the company is as bright at peace as in war.

DIVIDEND

The Company has been paying regular dividends to its Shareholders from the first year of working under the present management and has paid a total dividend of 22½ per cent. on Ordinary and 14 per cent on Preference Shares, within last two years keeping a decent amount in the Reserve fund. Similar dividend is expected this year too.

CAPITAL APPRECIATION OF THE SHARES

In view of the decent profit yielding capacity of the shares and the Company having paid decent dividend regularly to its share-holders the shares of the Company, within no time will command a strong demand and popularity in the Share market and consequently there will be sharp appreciation in value of the shares which will be all for the original share-holders to enjoy.

MANAGEMENT

The Management of the Company has been entrusted to Guha, Chatterji & Sircar, Ltd., which consists of industrialists and businessmen of all India repute. Under their efficient management the Company has been paying regular dividends.

APPLICATION FOR SHARES

Application forms for shares, can be had of and submitted to the Registered Office of the Company or to any of the branches of the Central Bank of India, Ltd., and The Pioneer Bank Ltd.

THE MICA MINING AND TRADING CO., OF INDIA, LTD.

Banker's No. ..... No. .....

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SHARES

To The Directors of
THE MICA MINING & TRADING CO. OF INDIA, LTD.,
12, Chowringhee Square, Calcutta.

Gentlemen,

I/We send herewith the sum of Rs..... being a Deposit of Rs. 2/8/- 10/- per Share on Application on ..... Ordinary / Preference Shares in the abovenamed Company and request you to allot me/us the said number of Shares on the terms of the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association and Prospectus and I/We agree to accept the said Shares, or any smaller number that may be allotted to me/us and to pay the further instalment of Rupees 2/8/- 10/- per share on Allotment. I/We also agree to pay the balance respectively due in respect of the said Shares on or before ..... 1943, and I/We authorise you to register me/us as holder(s) of the Shares allotted to me/us hereunder.

Name in full .....
(In Block Letters)
Occupation .....
Address in full .....
Date ..... 194 . Signature (s) .....
Applicant's Specimen Signature Applicant's Specimen Signature

THE MICA MINING AND TRADING CO., OF INDIA, LTD.

Banker's No. ..... No. .....

RECEIPT FOR APPLICATION MONEY

Received this ..... day of ..... 1943 from .....
the sum of Rs. ..... being a deposit of Rupees 2/8/- 10/- per Share on application on ..... Ordinary / Preference Shares of Rupees 25/- 100/- each in the above Company.

For and on behalf of
THE MICA MINING & TRADING CO. OF INDIA LTD.

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42. SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted a qualified Dental Surgeon, L.D.Sc. (Lahore, Karachi or Calcutta) as an Assistant in New Delhi on contract for five years. Pay Rs. 100-20-200. Commission 10 per cent after six months if work good. Security deposit essential. Interview on own expense. Dr. Bery, 13, Curzon Road, New Delhi. (1311)

Wanted for Shri Rajasthan Balika Vidyalaya Banasthali (P. O. Nawal) a lady Doctor, a male compounder, and a nurse. The applications should reach the Principal as early as possible. (1310)

Lady Secretary (independent) knowing English correspondence and typewriting is wanted on decent salary and allowance if on travelling. Apply to Box No. 1305, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted an experienced and qualified Electrical Engineer for a Large Sugar Factory in U.P. Apply with testimonials and stating terms to Box No. 4137 "Bombay Chronicle"

Wanted an experienced coach for imparting training in Tennis and Cricket from October 1943 to May 1944 for the Laximinarayan Bhuwan Club, Dewas Junior, C.I. Apply with testimonials stating the minimum salary acceptable, to The General Secretary Laximinarayan Bhuwan, Dewas Junior C.I. (4133)

Wanted An experienced Spinning Master for an up-country Cotton Mill on a salary of Rs. 400 to Rs. 700 per month according to qualification. The candidate will get a free furnished quarter. The applicant must have atleast 15 years experience as Head of the Department and must have thorough knowledge of Highdraft system stating past experience. Apply to Box No. 4103 "Bombay Chronicle."

65. ACCOMMODATION WANTED

A Parsee Couple wants an unfurnished flat of Hall dining room, three bedrooms, baths, Kitchen in any decent residential locality, good rent paid. Write to Box No. 1305, "Bombay Chronicle."

191. MEDICAL ADLETS

A Himalay's Herb of 100 years' fame for Asthma relief to be taken one dose on 20th April (full moon):— Manager: Sidhbaba Sewa Ashram, Chitrakot, U. P. 1266

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One 2 to 3 K.W. 110 or 220 Volts D. C. Diesel or Kerosene Engine driven Lighting Set complete with Control Panel. Apply Box No. 4116, "Bombay Chronicle."

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Wanted a Financing Partner to establish a hand loom mill in a good centre in S. India which is noted for spinning mill and handloom clothes. Write to Box No. 1309 "Bombay Chronicle."

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THE CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES, (Purchase Branch), Ahmedabad House, Ballard Estate, Bombay is interested in purchasing

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Tender No. 8A/Chemical/94 can be obtained free from the above office and will be received upto 4 p.m. on 19/4/43.

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THE CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES (Purchase Branch), Ahmedabad House, Wittet Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, invites tenders for the supply of the store detailed below:—

Store.	Quantity. Nos.
Dishes Steel Enamelled of Sizes.	2.200

Tender No. SY/8A/3846.

The price of the tender forms, etc., is Rs. 3/- per set and is not refundable and forms are not transferable. Payment should be made in cash or in Money Order only to the Controller of Supplies (Purchase Branch), Bombay, quoting tender No. and remitter's full address on the coupon.

Tenders will be received upto 4 p.m. on 20/4/1943. 4135.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST

TENDERS will be received up to 1 p.m. (S.T.) on MONDAY, the 19th April, 1943, for the supply, at the Port Trust Stores, Mazagaon, Bombay No. 10, of PLANKS BAEOOL WOOD and SAWAR WOOD.

Tender forms giving full particulars can be obtained from the office of the undersigned on payment of Re. 1/- per copy, and will not be sent V.P.P.

R. C. MASTER,
Ag. Controller of Stores.
Bombay. (4106)

NOTICE.

THE CASH TRANSACTIONS of the Motor Vehicles and Taxation Departments will be closed on WEDNESDAY the 14th April, 1943.

E. SHEEHY,
Dy. Commissioner of Police.
M. V. & Taxation, Bombay.
Motor Vehicles Dept.,
Gymnasium Road, Bombay,
12th April, 1943. 4139.

WANTED

A VETERINARY ASSISTANT for the Kalahandi State on Rs. 60-2|1-90 P.M. with benefits of Provident Funds and free quarters.

Applicants should state age, qualifications and previous experience if any. Certificates of character from two gazetted officers or other responsible gentlemen with copies of diploma and other references should be attached.

Applications should reach the undersigned on or before the 22nd April, 1943.

DIWAN,
Kalahandi State,
Bhawanipatna P.O.
Eastern States Agency,
Via Kesinga, B. N. Ry. (4128)

NOTICE.

1500 Shares Nos. 6957101/300, 398036/135, 975479/578, 975379/478, 2058891/990, 1745134/233, 6579776/875, 4413212/81, 178874/903; 4435676/775, 2856840/939, 4198631/730, 1605918/6017. 6629946/30045 and 7468301/400 of the Indian Copper Corporation Ltd., registered in the name of Dr. Tirpati Madhava Prasad in the books of the said Company and the Certificates of title thereto Nos. 76167/8, A-11411/13 and A-25975/821 have been lost.

The public are hereby cautioned against accepting or dealing with the said Certificates.

Application has been made to the Company for the issue of fresh certificates and meanwhile the holder or finder of the lost certificates is requested to communicate with the undersigned.

Signatory.
T. M. PRASAD.

Address.
Purana Bazar, Budaun, U. P.
Dated 13th April 1943. 1308.

Public Notices

G. I. P. RAILWAY

SUBURBAN TRAIN SERVICE

On the 14th and 16th April, 1943, 358 Up Kalyan Local train will run on Through line ex. Kurla to Bombay and will not halt at CURREY ROAD, CHINCHPOKLI and SANDHURST ROAD. 4138.

Auction Sales

MENESSE & CO. will sell by public auction on TUESDAY, the 13th inst., at 2-30 p.m. near the Cotton Exchange Building Sewree Cotton Depot by Order of the Insurance Office concerned 92 Bales damaged cotton, Yeotmal Jerilla.

RARE OPPORTUNITY TO COLLECTORS OF ART.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY OLD AND VALUABLE COLLECTION OF CHINA, BOHEMIAN GLASSWARE, CUTGLASS AND DRESDEN VASES, CROCKERY, SATSUMA TEA SETS, CUTLERY BOXES, AND NUMEROUS OTHER ARTICLES OF ART.

Under instructions from Messrs. Eastley Lam & Co., Attorneys for the Executrix Messrs. BENNETT & CO. will sell by Public Auction on SUNDAY, the 18th April 1943, from 11 a.m. (New S.T.) to 1-30 p.m. and then from 2-30 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Jogeshwari at "Chateau Dieu" Bungalow, opp. Malcolm Baug the abovementioned articles belonging to the Estate of the late Mr. C. M. Banaji.

On view from the 15th inst. between 10-30 to 5 p.m. only.

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No Active Intervention In Indian Affairs

SUMNER WELLES DEFENDS WATCH AND WAIT' POLICY

NEW YORK, April 12.

The United States Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles in a letter published in "New York Times' today defends United States Government's policy in N. Africa, and says that before long military operations there will succeed in the ultimate objective of expelling the Axis forces from the African continent, thus opening the way for the invasion of southern Europe.

Replying, in his letter, to the questions raised by Professor Ralph Barton Perry of Harvard University, who is chairman of the organisation known as "American Defence Harvard Group, "Mr. Welles accedes to Mr. Perry's request to deal concretely with criticisms that Government's policy was based, "not on military expediency but settled reactionary sentiments" and to state "Real attitude of the State Department."

"Our war-time foreign policy has two purposes and over-ride all others," Mr Welles continued. "First we must do all we can to win an absolute victory as quickly as possible with the least possible loss of life.

Secondly we must work to establish a just and lasting peace. I believe that it is important in the interest of a lasting peace that the French people should be free under their own Republican laws to choose their Government after the Nazis have been driven out of France.

THE INDIA QUESTION

Replying to criticism of "failure of the constitutional status of India, Mr. Welles said, "This is a tremendously complicated and delicate problem. The people of India have been most solemnly assured that as soon as necessities of war permit they will be given the opportunity to chose freely the form of Government they desire."

Mr. Welles continued, "Wise men vitally concerned both with the welfare of the people of India and with the defeat of our enemies may differ as to the possibility of fighting a war and solving India's historic problems at the same time.

But to make active intervention in the Indian situation a test of liberalism as some have done presupposes the definition of liberalism, which, I 'must confess, is beyond my comprehension"

Roosevelt Protests Against Limiting Salaries To 25,000 Dollars

WASHINGTON, April 12.

President Roosevelt announced on Sunday that he had allowed the bill raising statutory debit limit, including the rider rescinding his order which limits salaries to 25,000 dollars, to become law without his signature in order to avoid embarrassment to the war financing programme.

Under the existing law President Roosevelt had until midnight on Saturday night to sign the measure, veto it or let it become law without his signature.

In a statement he said, "If circumstances were otherwise I should veto the bill. Even so I cannot permit this legislation to become effective without registering my protest against attachment to this bill of the irrelevant and unwarranted rider."

He expressed the hope that Congress would give consideration as soon as possible to the question of imposition of war super-tax on net income from whatever source derived which after payment of all taxes exceeded 25,000 dollars.

GOVT. INTERFERENCE RESENTED

Representation To Govt. Of India By Cotton Trade

BOMBAY, April 12.

At a meeting of the Board of the East India Cotton Association held this afternoon, it was resolved to make representation to the Government of India that Government interference in forward cotton trading was unjustified.

The Board maintained that if forward business was abolished agriculturists would have to sell their cotton at cheap rates at the time of the peak season and hence their economic plight would be worse. There would be innumerable difficulties if the current crop contracts are to be extinguished all of a sudden.

The Association supports the Government measures towards larger grain crops and hence the Association is prepared to give an undertaking to the Government of India that they will not commence trading in new crop contracts till the sowing of grain crops in the coming season, i.e. about September.

The Board further states that if the Government of India endorses this suggestion then only the time for commencing business in contracts for new cotton crop may be fixed by the Association with the sanction of the Bombay Government.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, April 12

The Stock Exchange ruled quiet but steady and the volume of business reported during the earlier part was moderate. Government securities continued firm and unchanged. Quotations upto 1-30 p.m.

Government securities: 3 per cent Punjab Bonds 1958 96/8 small lot.

Banks: Reserve Bank 106 small lot.

Coal shares: Bengal 450 small lot; Burra Dhemo 6/8; Dhemo Main 13.

Jute shares: Belvedere 443; Gourepore 783; Kinnison pref 173.

Miscellaneous: Assam Bengal Cement defds 3/8 ct; Consolidated Tin 1/6; Indian Copper 2/6; British India Elec 13/10; India Machinery 10/9 x div; Indian Iron and Steel 35/4; Steel Corpn 25/3; Indian Rubber Manfg 26/8.

Tea shares: Naga Hills 23/12; New Terai 23/12.

CITY MARKETS

BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE:—The market opened very steady around Saturday's closing levels, but thereafter due to miscellaneous selling prices eased off somewhat. The undertone nevertheless was steady. Tata Steel Defds after changing hands at Rs. 1865 were marked down to Rs. 1855 and Ordinaries to Rs. 379 from Rs. 382; Textiles were quiet. Dyeings were placed around Rs. 1880 and Centuries Rs. 750 xd. Osmanshahi and Azamjihis were particularly strong at Rs. 425 and Rs. 720 respectively. In the miscellaneous list Belapurs were quoted around Rs. 339, Scindhia Rs. 30-8; Tata Chemicals Rs. 33/2.

TEXTILE: Ahmedabad Adv 481/4; Apollo Mills 5/10; Bharat Mills 94; Bom Dyeing 1872/8; Cent India 467; Century xd 746; Colaba Land 265/8; Dawn 1400; E D ord 15/7; E D defd 3/13; Edward Sassoon 445; Elphinstone 87; Finlay 375; Gokak 384/8; Hindustan 4140; Ind Manfg 4300; Ind Bleaching 256; Indore Malwa 1260; Khatau 590; Kohinoor 745; Lakshmi 1517/8; Madhowji 27; Minerva 237/8; Model Nasrpur 351/4; Madhusudan 630; Meyer Sassoon 172/8; Morarji 1145; Mysore 298/12; New Great 438; Phoenix 860; Podar Mills 347/8; Sassoon Silk 115/8; Sassoon Cotton 29; Sholapur 9450; Shri Nivas 480; Simplex 318; Svadeshi 590; Swan 355; Tata Mills 59; Vishnu 2625; Western India 3550.

INSURANCE: Bom Life 162/8; Empire Life 695; Indust and Prudent 34; Ind Mercantile 74; Jupiter 19; New India 74; Oriental 6500; Vulcan 16.

HYDRO AND ELECTRIC: Ahmedabad 195; Ajmere Elec 14/12; And Valley ord 1435; Bombay Suburban 190; Bom Tram ord 152; Broach 13/6; Karachi xd 260; Poona 965; Surat 191/4; Surat New Rs. 50 pd 70; Tata Hydro ord xd 138; Tata Power ord 1780.

BANK: Baroda Bank 126; Bank of India 169/8; Central Bank xd 61/8; Imperial Bank P P 1746; Imperial Bank P P 433/2; Reserve Bank 108/8; Union 8.

PREF. SHARES: 7 per cent And Valley 1682/8; 6 per cent Bom Steam 335; 7 per cent Bom Tram 79; 5 per cent Cent India 706; 6 1/2 per cent Jupiter Ins 19/12; 6 1/2 per cent Surat Elec 153/12; 6 1/4 per cent Prem Const 1st 125; 6 1/4 per cent Prem Const 2nd 126/8; 6 per cent Tata I and S 1st 215; 7 1/2 per cent Tata I and S 2nd 147/8; 7 1/2 per cent Tata Power 1685; 7 per cent Tata Hydro 163; 7 per cent Vishnu 765.

DEBENTURES: 4 per cent Andhra Valley 106/14; 4 per cent Tata Chemical 280; 4 per cent Tata Power 108; 5 per cent Marsland Price 118; 5 per cent Shol Rs. 64 paid 70.

RAILWAY: Ahmed Prantej 867/8; Cent. Prov. 104; Dhond Baramati 108; Gujarat 100; Hoshiarpur Doab 100; Mandra Bhon 106; Mymensing Rebate 104; Mymensing Gtd 100; Pachora Jamner 99; Sara Sirajganj 102; Sialkot Narowal 115; Sialkot New 48; Upper Sind Light 115.

MISC: Alembic Chem 335; Alcock Ashdown 751/8; Asso Cement 221/12; B B Petrol 2-1 1/2; Belapur 241; Bom Burma Old 310; Bom Burma New 105; Bom Steam 547/8; Radio ord 430; Radio defd 442/8; Invest Trust xd 59/8; Prem Const 170; Port Canning 97; Scindia 30; Shivrajpur 65; Tata ord 376/8; Tata defd 1845; Tata Chemical 33/4; Tata Oil 90; Wimco 375; Burma Corp 2-11 1/2; B.I.C. ord 5-13 1/2; Ind Copper 2-5; Ind Iron 35-2; Steel Corp 25-1; New Vict ord 9-14.

BOMBAY COTTON MARKET:—Turnover over the Bombay cotton market was restricted and prices movements were irregularly narrow. Cotton Jarilla May opened to-day at Rs. 538 and improved to Rs. 542. Rates market fluctuated within a narrow range with operators inclined to mark time. Prices closed as follows: Jarilla May Rs. 538-8 and July Rs. 547.

BULLION:—After recent hectic activity, the bullion market presented a quiet appearance to-day. Silver May settlement opened to-day at Rs. 114-4 and improved to Rs. 114-10. Gold May settlement was opened to-day at Rs. 75-9 and worked up to Rs. 76-14. The market was steady on replacement buying and prices recovered. At the close, the market stood as follows: Ready gold Rs. 77-9 May settlement Rs. 77-4, Silver Ready Rs. 115-8, 1st settlement Rs. 114-14.

SEEDS MARKET:—The seeds market was steady to-day with narrow fluctuations. Groundnuts May after opening at Rs. 104 were quoting Rs. 103-12 and September Rs. 109-4. Castorseeds May were quoting Rs 96-8, September Rs. 100-8 and Linseed May Rs. 11-4-6 and September Rs. 12-0-6. The market was steady and closed as follows:—Groundnuts May Rs. 104-4. Castorseeds May Rs. 97-8, Castorseeds September Rs. 101-4, Linseed May Rs. 11-5-3 and September 12-1.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET:—On Saturday continued heavy liquidation inspired by anti-inflation order and selling against supplies previously unhedged encountered scale down trade support and covering in sympathy with steadiness of grains, but closed barely steady. Highest 19.95, Lowest 19.83.

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9th April, 1943.

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